

Calaveras River Watershed

MONITORING SITE INFORMATION

SITE LOCATION

Site ID# CAL001

Site Name: San Antonio Creek @ Sheep Ranch Rd.

Site Description, Location and Access:

From the town of Sheep Ranch, follow Sheep Ranch Road south. San Antonio Creek is the first creek that Sheep Ranch Road crosses, approximately .8 of a mile from the crossroads. The sampling site is on the NE corner of the bridge.

Latitude/Longitude: Lat – N 38° 12' 17" Long – W 120° 27' 11.85"

County: Calaveras

WATER SOURCE

San Antonio Creek is part of a network of creeks that drain into the South Fork of the Calaveras River. It originates just north of Camp Connell, and south of Cottage Springs. As the creek flows towards Sheep Ranch Road, it passes the upperwatershed, rural communities of Dorrington and Arnold, and the Calaveras Big Trees State Park, potentially picking up drainages to include timber harvest, recreation, septic systems and other rural activities.



**San Antonio Creek at Sheep Ranch Road – CAL001
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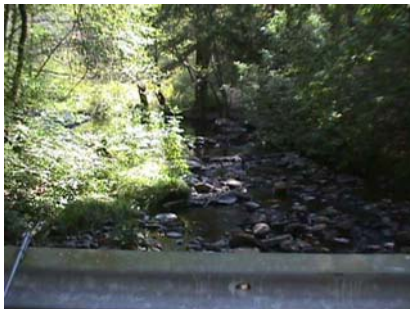
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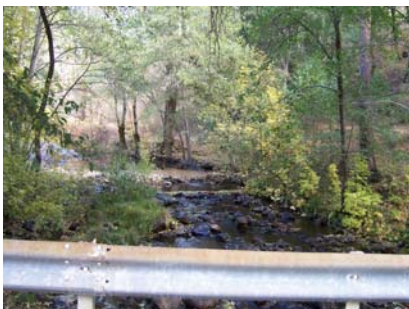
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MONITORING SITE INFORMATION

SITE LOCATION

Site ID# CAL002

Site Name: Calaveritas Creek @ Hwy 49

Site Description, Location and Access:

From San Andreas on Hwy 49, head south. The Calaveritas Creek is the first crossing outside of San Andreas, and has a concrete railroad tressel above the highway. Parking is on the SE side of the bridge. The sampling site is on the SE corner of the bridge.

Latitude/Longitude: Lat – N 38° 09' 41.7" Long – W 120° 38' 55.4"

County: Calaveras

WATER SOURCE

Calaveritas Creek originates north of the community of White Pines in the Upper Calaveras Watershed. Mining activities were the dominant land use in the 1850's with the arrival of the Gold Rush. Cattle grazing and rural activities potentially drain to this site. Calaveritas is a seasonal creek, and is one of three main tributaries to the South Fork Calaveras River.



Calaveritas Creek at Highway 49 - CAL002
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MONITORING SITE INFORMATION

SITE LOCATION

Site ID# CAL003

Site Name: N. Fork Calaveras River @ Gold Strike Rd.

Site Description, Location and Access:

Heading north on Hwy 49 from San Andreas, turn east onto Gold Strike road. If driving north on Gold Strike, N. Fork Calaveras is the second water crossing. If driving south on Gold Strike, N. Fork Calaveras is the first water crossing. The sampling site is on the NE corner of the bridge.

Latitude/Longitude: Lat – N 38° 13' 33.6" Long – W 120° 41' 58.7"

County: Calaveras

WATER SOURCE

The North Fork of the Calaveras River originates east of Redhawk Lake in the Stanislaus National Forest. Inflows to the North Fork include Esperanza Creek and Jesus Maria Creek. Past the sampling site, the North Fork merges with the South Fork of the Calaveras River before draining into New Hogan Reservoir. The site represents water quality data from the North Fork Calaveras Watershed. During the summer months the site was dry. Vegetation in the immediate area around the site includes grasses and willows.

Land use at the site includes relatively undisturbed and open range grazing.



North Fork Calaveras River at Gold Strike Road – CAL003



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